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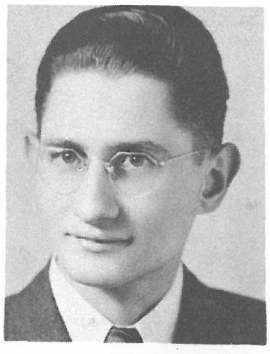

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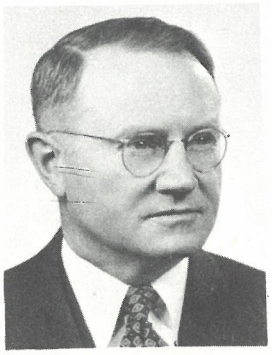

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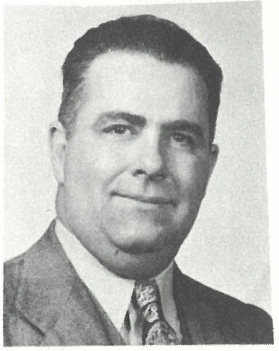

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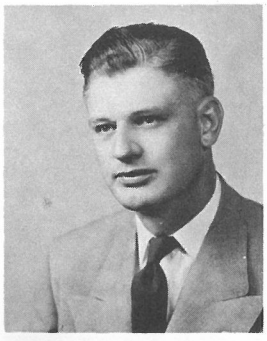

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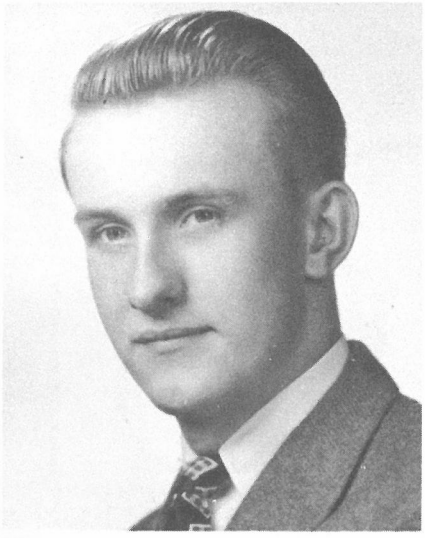

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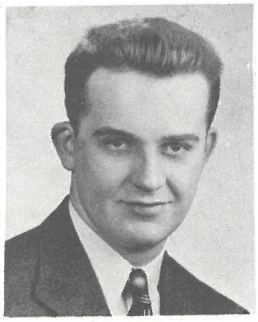
CHARLES ANDREWS
"When do we eat?"

Band	9 11 12
Choir	10 12
Football	9 10 11 12
Letter Club	12
Orchestra	9 11 12
Pep Band	12
Radio Club	12

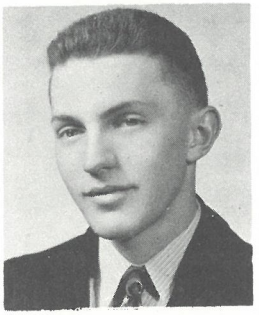


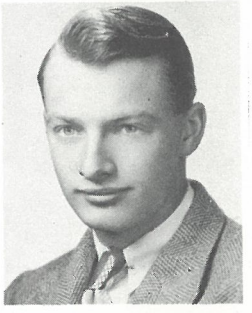
VERDA JEAN BROOKMAN
"Silence is deep as Eternity--
speech is shallow as Time.

Transferred	11
Choir	12

ROBERT ANDREWS
"A man convinced against his will, is of his own opinion still."

Baseball	9 10
Football	12
Interclass Sports	9 10 11 12
Letter Club	11 12
Radio Club	12
Student Council	9
Track	11 12
Wappaw Staff, Photography	
War Board	10





WILLIAM BROWN
"Hath he not an innocent look?"

Baseball	9
Choir	10 11 12
Librarian	12
Football	9 10 11 12
H.M.S. Pinafore	11
Interclass Sports	10
Junior Play, Cast	
Letter Club	11 12
National Thespians	11 12
Radio Club	12

GEORGIA BENWIRE
"If you can't find anything to laugh about, just giggle."

Interclass Sports	11
Junior Play, Cast	
National Thespians	11 12
Senior Play	
Asst. Director	
Wappaw, Typist	

IRENE BUDZEN
"All nature is but art."

Transferred	11
Interclass Sports	11 12
Wappaw Staff, Art	

JOHN BUKOVAC
"His manners alone would have gained him our hearts."

F.F.A.	10 11 12
High School Comm.	11
Radio Club	12
Student Council	9
Wappaw Staff	
Assistant Editor	

WILMA BLAESING
"Quiet to those who know her not; jolly to those who do."

Choir	10 11 12
Secretary	11 12
Accomp.	12
Class Secretary	11
H.M.S. Pinafore, Make-up	11
Glee Club	10 11
Secretary	11
Accomp.	11
High School Comm., Secy.	10
Junior Play, Cast	
National Thespians	11 12
Senior Play, Make-up	
J-Hop, Refreshments	
Student Council	9
Wappaw Staff, Features	

DONA CARLSON
"Tis education forms the common mind,
Just as the twig is bent,
the tree's inclined."

Band	
Drum Major	9 10 11 12
Class President	9
Cheer Leader	9 10 11 12
Choir	10 11
Interclass Sports	10
Junior Play, Cast	
J-Hop, Decorations	
National Thespians	11 12
Orchestra	9
Red Cross Comm.	9
Senior Play, Cast	
Student Council	9

PHYLLIS BRADLEY
"True to her work, her words, her friends."

Transferred	10
Interclass Sports	10 11
National Thespians	12
Senior Play, Business	
World Friendship Club	
Vice-President	12

ROBERT CARLSON
"Sigh no more, ladies, sigh no more!"

Band 10
Christmas Play, Cast 12
Dramatics Club 12
Football 10 11
Interclass Sports 9 10 11 12
Letter Club 9 10 11 12
Track 9 10
National Thespian 12
Senior Play, Cast
Vice-President 9

GEORGE COLEMAN
"I'm bashful, but not backward."

Christmas Play, Cast 12
Dramatics Club 12
Letter Club 10 11 12
Radio Club 12
Track 10 11 12

SHIRLEY COY
"Ever earnest and quiet is sl Amiable, also, and nice as can be."

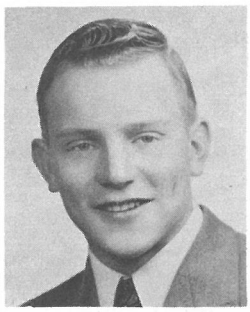
Choir 10 11 12
Glee Club 9 11 12
Librarian 12
Interclass Sports 9 10 11 12
Orchestra 9 10 11 12

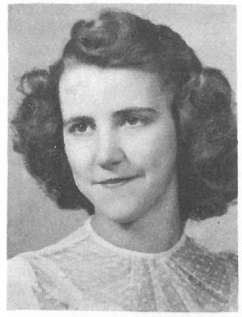
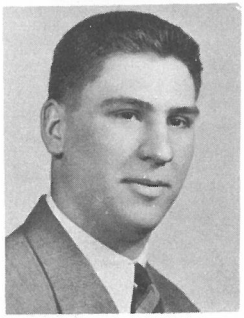
ROBERT DUHAN
"Can we ever have too much of a good thing?"

Basketball 12
F.F.A. 10 11 12
Chairman 12
Football 10 11 12
Captain 12
High School Comm. 10 11 12
Pres. 12
Interclass Sports 9 10 11 12
Letter Club 10 11 12
Vice-President 12
Track 10 11 12

BETTY FIRESTONE
"Gather ye rosebuds while ye may."

Senior Play, Cast
Junior Play, Publicity
Wappaw Staff, Clubs and Activities
Student Council 9
Christmas Play, Asst. Director 12
Dramatics Club 12
Choir 11
World Friendship Club
Pres. 12
Cheerleader 11 12
J-Hop, Invitation
National Thespians 12
It. M.S. Pinafore 11
Interclass Sports 12



GERALDINE FRENCH
"Music can noble hints impart."

Orchestra 9 10 11 12
Pres. 11 12
Band 9 10 11 12
Glee Club 9
Choir 10 11 12
Librarian 11
Vice-Pres. 12
J-Hop, Banquet
Interclass Sports 10
String Ensemble 11 12
National Thespians 11 12
Clerk 12
H.M.S. Pinafore 11
Girls' Club, Pres. 12
Junior Play, Asst. Director
Senior Play, Property
Student Council, Secretary 9
Class President 10
High School Comm. 12
War Board 9

CAROLYN GACKOWSKI
"Dance, laugh, and be merry, be also innocent.
Transferred 12

JOYCE GERMAN
"If a man is worth knowing at all, he's worth knowing well."

Interclass Sports 9 10 11 12
Student Council 9
World Friendship Club 12

LILLIAN GREENWALD
"Life is but a bowl of cherries."

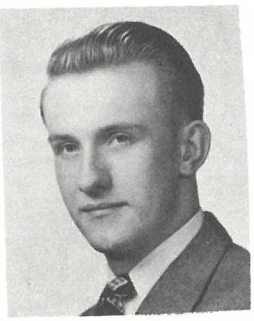
Band 9 10 11 12
Christmas Play, Props 12
Declamation Club 9
Dramatics Club, Secy. 12
Interclass Sports 12
Student Council 9

HILDA HAGEN
"To her, ambition is a hobby."

Student Council
Pres. 9
War Board 9
High School Comm. 10
Band 9 10 11 12
Interclass Sports 10
Dance Band 10
Choir 11 12
Librarian 11
Junior Play, Cast
Senior Play, Cast
H.M.S. Pinafore 11
National Thespians 11 12
Secretary-Treasurer 11
Pep Band 12
J-Hop
Wappaw Staff, Business 12
String Trio 9

BARBARA HINDENACH
"If life's worth while, let's meet it with a smile."

Choir	12
Senior Play, Cast	
National Thespians	12



ALFRED LANG
"For 'tis the mind that makes the man."

Choir	10 11
H.M.S. Pinafore	11
Track	10 11 12
Interclass Sports	9 10 11 12
President	12
Baseball	11 12
Senior Play	
High School Committee	12
National Thespians	12
Radio Club	12
Football	11 12
Christmas Play Lights	11 12

CONSTANCE HOLM
"How far that little candle throws it beams, So shines a good deed in a naughty world."

Interclass Sports	9 10 11 12
Sports Captain	12
Senior Play, Cast	
Junior Play, Cast	
Secretary	12
Vice-President	11
National Thespian	11 12
High School Committee	12
Choir	12
Girls' Club, Vice-Pres.	12
Student Council	9

ROMAIN LESAK
"Now walking there was one more fair--A slight girl, lily-pale;"

Transferred	10
Choir	11 12
Interclass Sports	11 12
Cheer Leading	11 12
H.M.S. Pinafore	11

ROBERT JENKS
"Whatever sceptic could inquire for, For every why he had a wherefore."

Transferred	12
Interclass Sports	12
Senior Play, Cast	
High School Committee, Vice-President	12
Pep Committee, Chairman	12
Radio Club	12
National Thespians	12

JUDY LEWIS
"I never take a nap but when I've had a bad night, and then the nap takes me."

Transferred	
Band	9
Choral Reading Club	9
Declamations Club	9
H.M.S. Pinafore, Costumes Chairman	11
Choir	12
Senior Play, Cast	
National Thespians	12

JULIAN KUBIAN
"Study is a dreary thing, so I don't do it."

Choir	10 11 12
H.M.S. Pinafore	11
F.F.A.	10
Interclass Sports	10 11 12
Octette	12

BRUCE LOVE
"A gay fellow, a jolly fellow, A fellow we all like."

Transferred	
Interclass Sports	10 11 12
Band	11
Senior Play, Cast	
Baseball	10 11 12
H.M.S. Pinafore	11
Track	10
Choir	11 12
National Thespians	12
Letter Club	10 11 12
Football	12
Basketball	12

LOUISE KUBIAN
"Her very foot has music in it as she comes up the stairs."

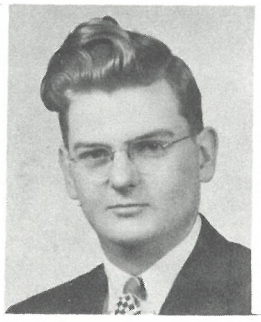
Transferred	10
Interclass Sports	11 12
Choir	11 12
H.M.S. Pinafore	11
Junior Play, Cast	
Senior Play, Cast	
National Thespians	11 12

RAYMOND McGUIRE
"Speech is silver, silence is golden."

Football	9 11 12

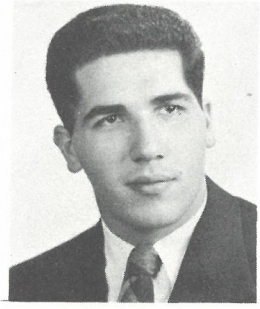
ART McNABB
"Beauties in vain their pretty eyes may roll."

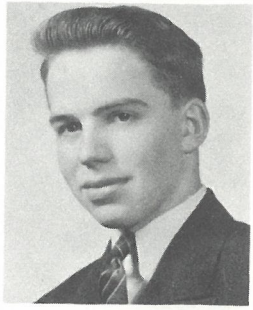
Camera Club	12
Interclass Sports	12
World Friendship Club	12



EUGENE MECONI
"First let me consult my harem."

Choir	10 11 12
Class President	11
Christmas Play	10
H.M.S. Pinafore	11
High School Comm.	11 12
Interclass Sports	11 12
Football	10 11 12
J-Hop	
Junior Play, Cast	
Letter Club	10 11 12
National Thespians	11 12
Orchestra	9
Senior Play, Cast	



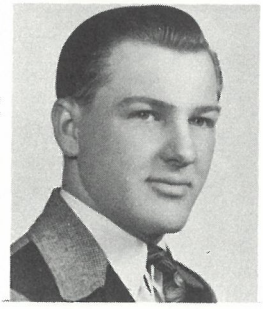


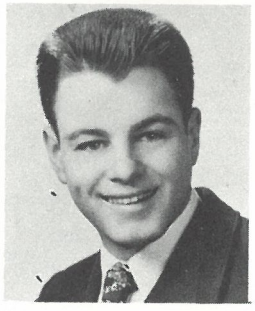
MARGARET MINARIK
"Life is just one big party."

Choir	11
Glee Club	9 10 11
Dramatics Club	
President	12
H.M.S. Pinafore	11
Interclass Sports	10
Junior Play, Make-up	
Senior Play, Make-up	
Student Council	9
World Friendship Club	12

STANLEY PALASINSKI
"Well, Reader, Wipe thine eyes I see the man."

Baseball	9 12
Basketball	9 10 11
Football	9 10 11
Letter Club	9 10 11 12





EILEEN RICE
"As merry as the day is long,"

Transferred	10
Choir	11 12
Class Treasurer	12
Girls' Club Treasurer	11
Glee Club	11
H.M.S. Pinafore	11
Junior Play, Make-up	
National Thespians	12
Senior Play, Make-up	

DALTON RUMSEY
"One who is always willing to do what must be done."

Baseball	9 11 12
Choir	10 11 12
President	12
F.F.A.	10 11 12
H.M.S. Pinafore	11
Interclass Sports	10 11 12
Letter Club	10 11 12
Secretary	12
Junior Play, Cast	
National Thespians	11 12
President	12
Senior Play, Cast	
Student Council	9

BERNARD SACKETT
"He has two eyes so soft and brown, take care!"

Band	9 10 11 12
Choir	10 11 12
F.F.A.	10 11
H.M.S. Pinafore	11
Interclass Sports	10 11
Junior Play, Cast	
National Thespians	11 12
Vice-President	12

GRETCHEN SCHNOOR
"Oh, fairest of the rural maids."

Choir	10 11 12
Gown Custodian	11
Glee Club	9 11 12
Girls' Club, Secretary	11
H.M.S. Pinafore	11
Interclass Sports	10 11 12
High School Comm.	10
J-Hop, Program	
Junior Play, Ticket	
National Thespians	12
Orchestra	9 10 11
Secretary	11
Senior Play, Asst. Director	

DONALD SPRAGUE
"A little nonsense now and then, Is relished by the best of men.

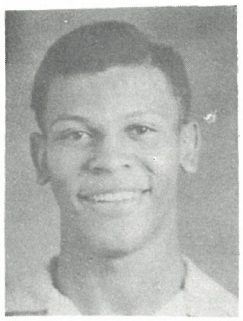
Baseball	9 10 11 12
Basketball	10 12
Band	9 10 11 12
President	12
Choir	11 12
Gown Custodian	12
Football	11 12
Golf	9 10 11 12
Letter Club	10 11 12
H.M.S. Pinafore	11
Class Treasurer	10
J-Hop, Music	
Orchestra	11 12
Student Council	9

JOAN SUFFERLING
'She's there even if you can't hear her.

Choir	12
Glee Club	12
High School Comm.	11
Student Council	9

VICTOR TATE
"Let me die to the sound of delicious music."

Basketball	9 10 11 12
Band	9 10 11 12
Orchestra	9 10 11
Track	9 11 12
Football	12
Letter Club	9 11 12



THELMA WHISLER
"Maiden with the meek brown eyes."

Interclass Sports	9 10 11 12
Junior Play, Cast	
National Thespians	11 12
World Friendship Club	12

ELLEN TRAXLER
"If she will, she will, you may depend on it, and if she won't, she won't, so that's the end on it."

Transferred	11
Interclass Sports	11 12
Junior Play, Props Chairman	
H.M.S. Pinafore	11
Choir	11 12
Glee Club, President	12
Wappaw Editor	

DALE WHITTINGTON
"Love's a malady without a cure."

Basketball	10 11 12
Choir	11 12
Gown Custodian	12
Senior Play, Stage Chairman	
Junior Play, Stage Chairman	
Wappaw Sports	
Baseball	9 10 11 12
Interclass Sports	9 10
H.M.S Pinafore	11
Class Vice-President	10
Class Treasurer	11
Letter Club	10 11 12
President	12
Football	12
National Thespians	12

CLASS HISTORY

In September of 1934 seven of us began school together in the hallowed halls of Paw Paw. Those of us who began and who will soon terminate our days here together are: Hilda Hagen, Bob Andrews, Margaret Minarik, Alfred Lang, Gretchen Schnoor, Charles Andrews, and Lillian Greenwald.

We read our first breath-taking novel entitled See Dick Run in first grade.

In third grade we made our dramatic debut when a member of our class, Gretchen Schnoor, was chosen to play "Snow White", and the rest of us blossomed forth as flowers and bunnies.

In sixth grade we wasted Miss Smutz' paints on friezes and monstrosities which we called "art". We also gave a number of plays, some of which we wrote ourselves.

And then, oh joy, we entered Junior High, bewildered, lost, but determined to act grown-up. We got a toe-hold, and sailed safely through seventh grade. In eighth grade we won the bulletin board contest, and our name was engraved on the silver cup. We also gave a tea for our mothers which helped to prove to them we had manners, and knew how to use them.

We indulged in our daily "cokes" during these years, and painstakingly carved our names on Mr. Spayde's tables so everybody would be sure to remember us.

Ninth grade found us preparing for bigger and better things. Our class was enlarged considerably, and Dona Carlson was our class president. We had fun playing politician, and sponsoring the candidates running for Student Council. It was wonderful being the leaders of the Junior High.

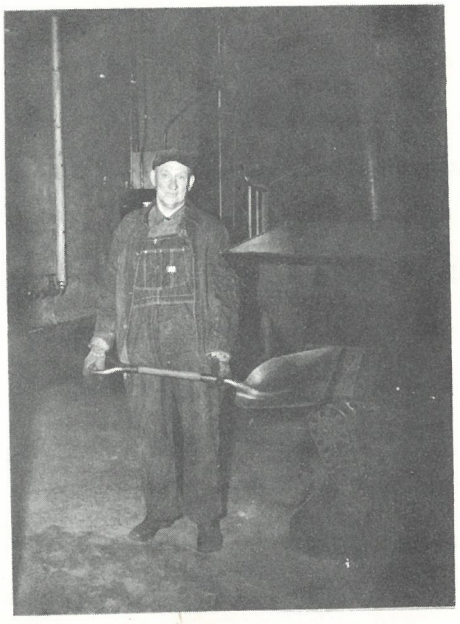
We were soon put in our place when we became Sophomores. We made a name as the class earning the most money. School was made more interesting by the unique methods resorted to by the teachers to educate us. We'll never forget Miss Nyland sitting in history class with a knife in her mouth, or the guillotine Al Lang made to help make our enactment of the French Revolution more realistic. Our class president was Gerry French.

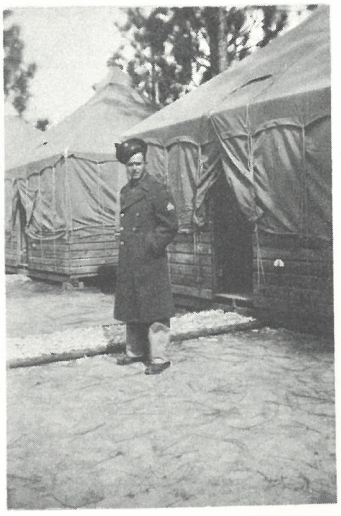
As Juniors, with Eugene Meconi as president, we continued to raise money for the prom. Putting on the class play was a new experience and a lot of work, but we loved it. We set a precedent by holding the Junior prom at the Burdick Hotel in Kalamazoo. Everyone heaved a sigh of relief that everything went off as planned.

We elected Al Lang president in our Senior year, and then set out to make it our most memorable one. With the semester of government and the mock election behind us, we rushed to complete everything we had started in time for graduation. The Wappaw was finished, graduation pictures were taken, and we were measured for caps and gowns. We spent most of our spare moments wondering where the time had gone, and what to do next. Of course, every Senior class must take a short vacation to get away from it all, and, after all this commotion, we thought we deserved a rest. So----we took it.

Now we're finished, and we don't feel any different. We used to admire and respect the Seniors when we were in the grades, and wonder if we would ever get there. It seemed like a world far away. But, now that we have reached the top of the ladder ourselves, it doesn't seem like such a long climb after all.

We may breathe a sigh of relief, but don't let us fool you. We really hate to leave this 'ole school, where we had such wonderful times, and met such swell people. Even though we step out from its shelter, into the world, on our own, we know the welcome mat will always be out for us.





CLASS PROPHECY

Time: 1962
Place: Kukamonga
Characters: Our classmates as they may be in 1962.

Here we are at Kukamonga just returning from Paris. My, how things have changed! It seems like ages since we left, but it is really only fifteen years. I return to my beloved home in the West, quite different from the one I left. As you must know, I am the famous French actress, Jouell Haldeman. Accompanying me is the world famous costume designer, Judy Lewis, and my personal secretary, Wilma Blaesing.

Oh, Redcap! Take this luggage! Why, he looks like an old friend. It's none other than Art McNabb. He calls a taxi for us, and who should the driver be but Ray McGuire, who gives us a speedy ride to our hotel. As we enter an elevator to ascend to our room, whom should we see but Bob Jenks. He proudly displays on the wall of the elevator his F. B. B. J. certificate (Federal Bureau of Bad Jokes). He tells us that Charles Andrews is a janitor here. He always was tops on our Clean-up Campaigns. Here's our floor, and our room should be right down this hall. What's all the rumpus? Well, if it isn't our old friends having another party! Eileen Rice and Margaret Minarik! From their conversation we learn that Alfred Lang and Dalton Rumsey are famous Congressmen, and George Coleman, having won the baby kissing contest by a large majority, has just been elected mayor of his home town, Wap Wap. That fellow walking down the hall seems familiar. Well, if it isn't John Bukovac! He tells us he is attending an annual "National Hog - Callers Convention."

At last we're in our room. Let's turn on the radio, and hear the news. Voice of Dale Whittington (Dale gave up pitching for the Tigers because of the low salary). "Ah yes! There's good news tonight! Ike Sprague, star half-back on the Almena's Eager Beavers, has finally decided to quit professional football after ten years of stardom. He says that since Bob Duhan and Bruce Love stopped playing with the Gobles Gobblers he finds no joy in beating that team.

"Flash! The celebrated woman aviator Corky Greenwald has just set a new altitude record. She was accompanied by Gretchen Schnoor, who is conducting an experiment to determine whether one runs out of breath more quickly doing push-ups at 10,000 feet than on the ground. How's the atmosphere up there, Corky?"

We give you now--The astonishing Dona Carlson.

"This is the Hagen Shuvorlay Motor Sales (Hilda Hagen, Proprietor) wishing you all safe driving, and we know you'll have just that if you come into our garage, and have your car greased by our most accommodating grease monkey, Bill Brown."

As we leave our hotel and proceed to the Club Haven, we are approached by Walter Richmond of the daily Kukamonga Flashes. After acquiring adequate information, he informs us of the well-being of his capable editor---Thelma Whisler. We arrive at the Club, and are greeted by the jovial doorman who turns out to be Stanley Palasinski. We check our coats with Joan Sufferling, and are directed to our table by Bob Andrews, manager. As we look over the menu we notice that Georgia Benwire, whose food is famous the world over, is the chief cook.

While waiting for our first course, we are pleasantly surprised at seeing the magnificent dancing team, Louise and Julian Kubian. They are accompanied by the "Band for the Day" of Vic Tate.

Our food, to our amazement, is served by the most competent waiters, Bob Carlson and George Dimas.

One of the members of our party cuts his finger with a steak knife, and Dr. French (Geraldine French) arrives immediately on the scene.

We notice on our table a bottle of wine with the stamp of approval of Chief Wine Taster, Gene Meconi.

After leaving the Club we retire to our suite for the remainder of the evening. I pick up a copy of the new mystery novel, "The Spirit of '47", by Holm and Hindenach (Constance Holm and Barbara Hindenach). What a coincidence! It tells of the 47 members of the class of '47 in their terrorizing of the Paw Paw High School.

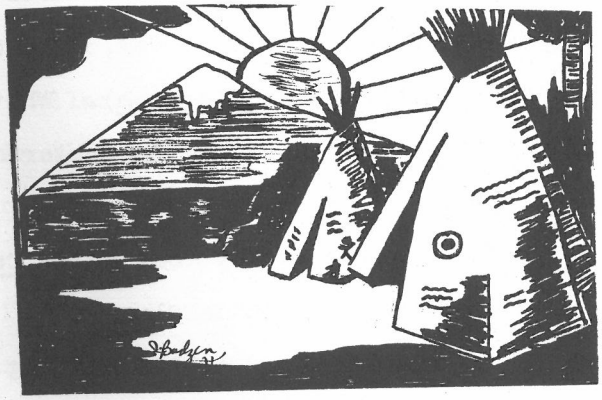
The next morning we are awakened by our maid, Carolyn Gackowski, who brought our clothes up from the "Lee Stone Cleaners". (Betty Firestone and Romain Lesak). Examining the clothes we notice the tag that reads: "We keep the spots, so don't fuss, call us!"

Later having called for our breakfast, it is brought to us by the most cheerful bellhop Bernard Sackett. We have some of the most delicious bread, which we later find out was baked by the Brookman (Verda Jean Brookman) Bakery.

We hurry to the Budzen (Irene Budzen) Studios to have my portrait done by "Irene". Dropping in for tea at the "Tea Pot", we are thrilled to hear Shirley

Coy and her singing violin. A happy surprise is meeting Phyllis Bradley and Ellen Traxler, who tell us of their hugh chains of dime stores all over the country.

Returning once more to our hotel, I find I am being paged for a long distance call which the switchboard operator, Joyce German, is holding for me. After receiving my call, which notifies me to leave for Paris at once, I quickly begin to prepare for my departure. It was a long journey home and a short stay, but all good things come to an end and so we leave you now.



CLASS WILL

Be it remembered that we, the class of 1947, being in sound state of mind and ever mindful of our approaching dismemberment, do make, publish, and declare this our last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by us made.

I, Charlie Andrews, bequeath my enormous physique to whoever may be slight enough to desire it, with my sincere best wishes that he may have the sense of humour that I have.

I, Robert Andrews, leave my quiet carefree attitude to Alan Horn, and my running ability to Clyde Lounsberry.

I, Georgia Benwire, bequeath my sunny disposition to Jeanine Mucha.

I, Wilma Blaesing, leave my gift of cooperation and ability to get along to Mavis Ladyman.

I, Phyllis Bradley, bestow my title as girl genius to Renny Oas. Huh?!!!

I, Bill Brown, am finally leaving, in a trail of dust, to join Katy.

I, Irene Budzen, bequeath my large blue eyes to Norma Lallinger.

I, John Bukovac, grant my interest in American Government to some unsuspecting Junior. Just bluff your way through, kid!

I, Verda Brookman, will my bashful ways to Gloria Bradley.

I, Dona Carlson, will my speaking abilities and likeable personality to Mavis Dodge.

I, Robert Carlson, leave my endearing nickname "Stub" to "Lanky Moe."

I, George Coleman, am leaving, quite willingly, my position as committee chairman to the poor, future Senior who draws it. Good Luck! You'll need it.

I, Shirley Coy, leave my athletic abilities and unassuming manner to Beatrice Englesby.

I, George Dimas, leave my well-controlled temper to Barbara Wolf.

I, Robert Duhan, leave my impressive physique to Marvin Dann and my position as fullback to Harold Drake, bear down, boy!

I, Betty Firestone, leave my "tooth paste ad" smile to Valerie Rucinski.

I, Geraldine French, grant my sweet disposition and scholastic ability to Lois Krueger.

I, Carolyn Gackowski, leave my quiet ways to Violet Tyler.

I, Lillian Greenwald, leave my blue and white plaid shirt to Mary M. Kalanj, and my energy to Betty Staggs.

I, Joyce German, leave for Decatur, Leroy, beware!

I, Hilda Hagen, am leaving to wait for the "Lion of Lawrence."

I, Jouell Haldeman, bestow my love for the basketball season to Marian Pursley.

I, Barbara Hindenach, grant my bright sayings and poise to Diane Arnold.

I, Constance Holm, will my weeness and abounding pep to Pat Zuris.

I, Louise Kubian, bequeath my absorbing interest in Gobles to Lila Scamihorn, and my obvious innocence to Shirley Adamson.

I, Julian Kubian, bestow my magnetic ways and deep base voice on Wayne McCarty.

I, Al Lang, leave my chemistry apron and some nitro-glycerin to Lloyd Holdridge.

I, Bob Jenks, grant my flair for spelling and mechanical mind to Elsie Coulson.

I, Romain Lesak, leave Sadie Hawkins Day 1947 to Pat Gosenca. How's chances for a medal in track?

I, Judy Lewis, in using my overabundant wit, will retain my twenty-one inch waist line, and leave my spirit to anyone in desperate need of it.

I, Sir Joseph K. C. B., grant my Loveable voice and deformed ring to Roger Campbell.

I, Raymond McGuire, leave my political orations to the Democratic Party.

I, Arthur McNabb, will my suit of white fleece to Jim Stull. Happy Hunting!

I, Eugene Meconi, the "lady-killer", leave my smooth line to Dick Donovan.

I, Margaret Minarik, leave my beautiful complexion and bashful ways to Nancy March.

I, Eileen Rice, grant my 8:00 Government chair to anyone in desperate need of it and good riddance!

I, Walter Richmond, grant my well worn office seat to Paul Pursley and my knack for remarks to Rennie Oas.

I, Dalton Rumsey, bequeath my blonde hair and blue-----Sorry, Wilma says "No! No!"

I, Stanley Palasinski, leave for South Bend for another Polish-Hop.

I, Bernard Sackett, will my daily trip on M. 40 to Audrey Love. Watch out for the snow banks, gal!

I, Gretchen Schnoor, leave my pretty blonde hair and coyness to Dot Young, Which way did Jack go?

I, Don Sprague, leave-period. Abstract office---here I come!

I, Joan Sufferling, bestow my long hair on Elizabeth Johnson.

I, Vic Tate, leave to join Gabriel's band. None of this small town stuff for me.

I, Thelma Whisler, grant my embarrassed moments and tomato red face to Shirley Larson. See you in the movies!

I, Dale Whittington, bequeath my well worn path past Firestones' to anyone with strong athlectic legs like mine.

I, Ellen Traxler, pass on the Editor's job to an oncoming Senior, and retire to Section 8.

To Miss Kirby we leave the quick thinking Juniors. They'll catch on to your jokes but fast------maybe!

To Mrs. Nestor we leave another bottle of aspirins and just think--no more of that "Say that's not Kubian--that's Lesak!" or vice versa.

To you, Miss Hazzard, we grant a gold medal for surviving the advisorship of the class of '47. It was swell knowing you.

To Mr. Vaughn we leave a new joke book--good reading!

To Miss Freer we leave the memory of two plays, and a dime from our refreshment money.

Miss Nyland we leave to the future Senior classes. She's tops on our list.

To Miss Carlson we leave our broken vocal chords, and the remembrance of our hastily eaten meals.

To Miss Brennan we leave the Juniors freed from that one Senior precedent.

To Mr. Lindeman we leave an envelope of fingernails which we took from the machines. We'll miss you, Lindy!

To Mr. Schenk we leave the memory of our terrific Senior athletes.

To Mr. Hackney we leave the memory of finding free time for Wappaw Staff meetings.

To Mrs. Alway we leave the peace and quiet in the library.

To Miss Spalding we leave pleasant memories of volleyball victories in Kazoo.

To Mr. Arnott we leave the use of the Auditorium, now that all pictures for the Wappaw are finished.

To Miss Werner we leave the typing room, uncluttered by Wappaw copy.

To Miss Smutz we leave an art room spattered with the paints of our would be artists.

To Mr. Kushel we leave the odds and ends left over from the Senior Play. Thank goodness Bruce didn't leave his golf suit!

To you, Paw Paw High, we leave the memory of the pitter patter of our footsteps in these hallowed halls.

In Witness Whereof, We have hereunto set our hand and seal this sixth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven.

Signed, sealed, published, and declared as and for their last will and testament by the Class of 1947, the above-named testators, in the presence of us who, at their request and in the presence of them and of each other, have subscribed our names hereto as witnesses on the day and year last aforesaid.

Clarence Hackney Reynold Q. Bos

MOCK ELECTION

Class Steadies . . . . . .Wilma Blaesing and Dalton Rumsey
Class Wit. . . . . Eugene Meconi
Poorest Speller. . . . . Alfred Lang
Class Pessimist. . . . . .George Dimas
Class Optomist . . . . . Charles Andrews

Prettiest Girl . . . . . Betty Firestone
Cutest Girl. . . . . Eileen Rice
Most Popular Girl. . . . . Connie Holm
Most Likeable Girl . . . . . Connie Holm
Smartest Girl. . . . . Hilda Hagen
Girl Athlete . . . . . Connie Holm
Most Courteous Girl. . . . . .Gerry French
Class Wolfess. . . . . .Romain Lesak
Best Dressed Girl. . . . . .Romain Lesak
Most Bashful Girl. . . . . Verda Jean Brookman
Most Poised Girl . . . . . Jo Sufferling
Best All-Around Girl . . . . . Hilda Hagen
Cleverest Girls. . . . . .Dona Carlson and Hilda Hagen
Girl Most Likely to Succeed. . . . . .Gerry French
Best Girl Dancer . . . . . Louise Kubian
Best-Natured Girls . . . . . .Margaret Minarik and Connie Holm
Stubbornest Girl . . . . . Ellen Traxler

Handsomest Boy . . . . . .Dale Whittington
Cutest Boy . . . . . .Bruce Love
Most Likeable Boy. . . . . .Dale Whittington
Most Popular Boy . . . . . .Dale Whittington
Smartest Boy . . . . . Alfred Lang
Most Courteous Boy . . . . . .Robert Duhan
Class Wolves . . . . . .Eugene Meconi and Walter Richmond
Most Bashful Boy . . . . . Raymond McGuire
Boy Athlete. . . . . .Dale Whittington
Most Dignified Boy . . . . . .John Bukovac
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HELP!

ICE COLD

NUT SHOP

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER - "It's a short time from June to September."
17 - Vacation's o'er, 'tis the day o' doom.
All scholars hence - to the class room.
20 - First football game. Paw Paw 0 - South Haven 0. The boys just aren't used to the bright lights, that's all.

OCTOBER - "The goblins 'll git "cha", if yu' don't watch out."
12 - The band marched in the rain at Western. Did something shrink?
15 - The three o'clock gov't class listened to the World Series. Miss Nyland was yelling for Teddy again. Only this time it was for Williams, not Roosevelt.
18 - Homecoming football game, tied six up with Bangor. Juniors gave a good dance. Like their decorations.

NOVEMBER - "Hey Maw! Pass that thar' turkey."
1 - Hallowe'en last night. The faculty was a little tardy this morning. It took so long to get out of their front doors. At least one teacher had a clean face.
5 - The battle is over. The campaigning done.
'Twas a good fight, but the REPUBLICANS won.
8 - Teachers took over the Pep meeting. Too bad the cheerleading tryouts have been held. A certain someone would have been pretty hard to beat.
Paw Paw 21 - Mattawan 0.
9 - Sadie Hawkins dance. At last women triumphed over men - or did they?
22 - "And Came The Spring", Senior Play. Slightly out of season, that's all.

DECEMBER - "Good will toward men." Huh girls?
2 - First basketball game. Paw Paw 57 - Otsego 22. That's showin' 'em.
13 - Christmas party. The meeting of two Southern forces took place, Galloway and mistletoe.
19 - Christmas play. "She's alive! Alive as though she'd never been ill."
20 - Our one and only defeat. Decatur 38 - Paw Paw 30. Too----bad.

JANUARY - "We Seniors hereby resolve------" Oh heck. What's the use?
3 - Basketball game at Constantine. We 43 - They 14. Retribution!
6 - Back to school. Well, it was wonderful while it lasted.
28 - Basketball game at Mattawan. We 40 - They 30. The fellas looked good.
31 - Our boys did shine tonight. Paw Paw 33 - Decatur 24.

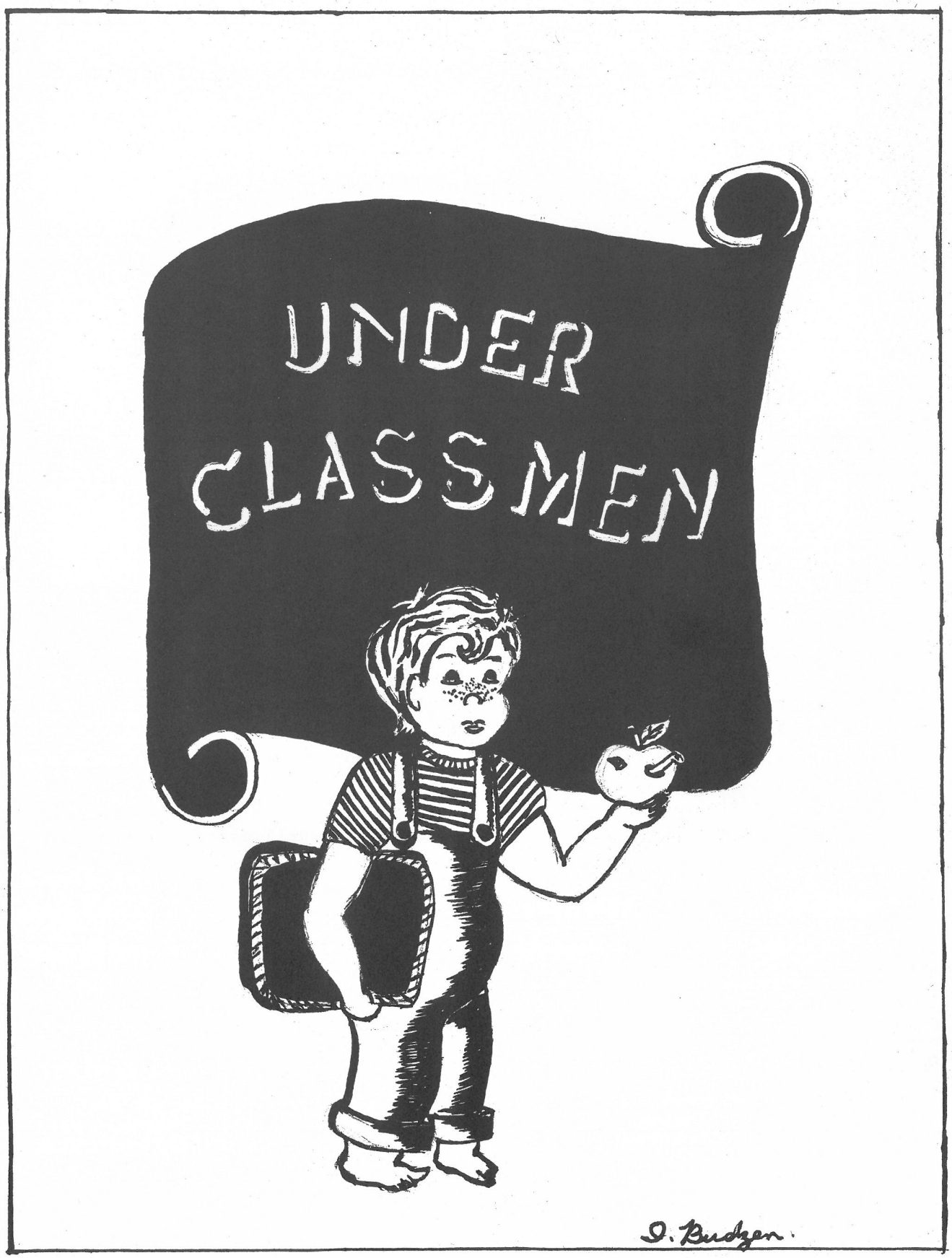
FEBRUARY - "Beautiful are the snows of February." You have to live in the city to be able to say that.
18 - Didn't miss last year's Seniors quite as much as they expected. We managed to beat Bangor on their own floor.
27 - How empty classes seemed this afternoon.

MARCH - Spring is here - Oh yeah!
3 - Thespian banquet, more Barrymores and Bernhardts in the offing.
6-8 - Paw Paw did it again. We're District CHAMPS.
28 - "The Youngest", Junior Play. Appropriate title anyway.

APRIL - April showers bring--------straight hair.
14 - Back from Spring vacation. Paw Paw's improving, it was in the Spring this year.
15 - First baseball game, at Allegan. How many homers was that, Ike?

MAY - Gay are the days of May. Especially the 25th and 26th.
8 - Tri-county track meet. SWISH--------!
10 - Junior Prom. Thanks, it was wonderful.

JUNE - What is so rare as a day in June? The day school ends, that is.
6 - Senior High picnic. Well, we all got to go this year.
8 - Baccalaureate.
11 - Commencement. It's all over now, and honestly, it's been swell.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JUNIOR CLASS

4th Row. D. Connor, F. Kalanj, M. Dudash, L. Burns, Miss Kirby, I. Chmielewski, B. Wolf, M. Ladyman, D. Arnold, M. Dodge, D. Young. 3rd Row. G. Agate, R. Donovan, W. McCarty, M. Dann, D. McGuire, V. Jacobs, L. Scamihorn, D. Crook, J. Tellam, P. Gosence, F. Kobe. 2nd Row. J. Replogle, T. Taylor, F. Kogge, R. Drenkhahn, R. McCarty, J. Weber, H. Masten, J. Mucha, P. Massarello, V. Rucinski, M. Conally. 1st Row. R. Oas, G. Eddington, R. Swanson, A. Cutting, C. Carrington, R. Danger, R. Campbell E. Coulson, W. Kaiser, R. Snyder, L. Holdridge.

As usual, the Class of '48 sponsored the J-Hop this year, and during the year they did different things to help raise funds for this purpose. Among them were selling ice-cream and candy at basketball and football games and sponsoring dances after games, such as the Homecoming Dance. They also presented their class play, "The Youngest," under the direction of Miss Freer. The Juniors sponsored a magazine campaign, and the proceeds from that also were used to help finance the J-Hop.

Much has been achieved under the capable instruction of their class advisor, Miss Kirby, and the leadership of their class officers, who are as follows:

President - Carl Carrington
Vice-President - Dick Donovan
Secretary - Florence Kobe
Treasurer - Allen Cutting

SOPHOMORE CLASS

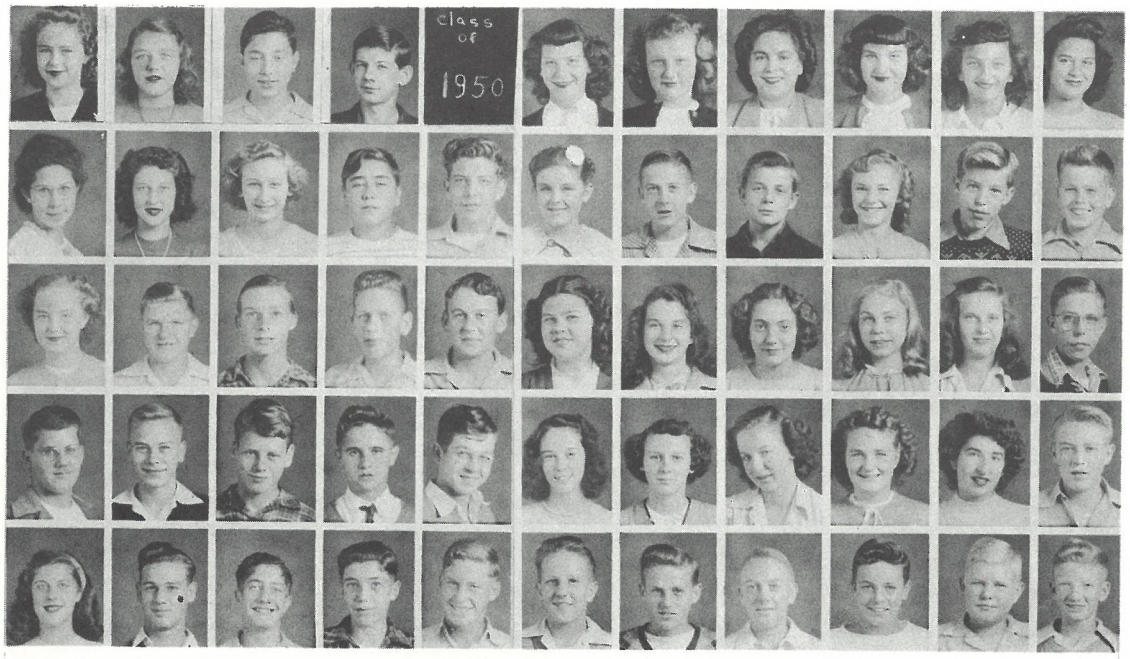
6th Row: P. Zuris, H. Wright, M. Root, T. Czuhajewski, M. Kalanj, Miss Freer, V. Tyler, W. Ertle, R. Aernie, F. Masten, S. Larson. 5th Row: B. Grehl, K. Allen, E. Schallahorn, J. Sackett, N. Murch, D. Whisler, B. Staggs, M. Pursley, J. Kaiser, N. Stratton, A. Love. 4th Row: F. Ritsema, M. Spies, L. Kreuger, S. Adamson, B. Marcelletti, J. Thomas, I. Sitar, F. Sitar, M. Merrill, E. Johnson, A. Koziol. 3rd Row: P. Coulson, P. Thoms, E. Mitchell, A. Williams, C. Mannon, M. Davis, J. Doty, H. Drake, R. Ewing, G. Gladysz, P. Cameron. 2nd Row: J. McDaniel, D. Richardson, R. Thomas, S. Brookman, J. Brady, M. Flynn, J. Birdsall, G. Goens, A. Horn, W. Clearwater, D. Groneau. 1st Row: A. Soule, C. Lounsberry, V. Vukorpa, J. Stull, D. Keune, J. Karony, J. Quigno, J. Hall, T. Foster, J. Gault, N. Shank.

The class of '49 spent its first year in Senior High with Miss Freer as class advisor. Joe Quigno served as class president; Don Keune, vice-president; Irene Sitar, secretary; and Vic Vukorpa, treasurer.

The class is composed of seventy members, not many of whom are new to Paw Paw High School. Three members---Kay Allen, Shirley Adamson, and Joe Quigno---began their Kindergarten days in Paw Paw.

With the able help of Miss Nyland the Sophomores have been very active in the clothing drives for European peoples this year. Raising money to finance next year's J-Hop has also been one of the big features of the year.

FRESHMAN CLASS

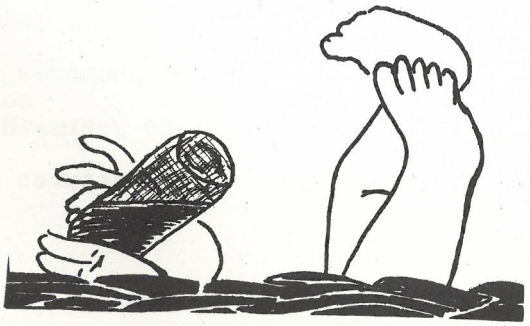


5th Row: M. McKee, M. Ritsema, A. Abrams, W. Carrington, J. Smith, J. Kobe, L. Roberts, E. Bertollotti, T. Czuhajewski, K. Misureca. 4th Row: G. Harris, A. Agate, V. Abrams, W. Thomas, G. White, F. Boyne, J. Firestone, E. Aernie, M. Ewing, J. Dorstewitz, T. Crabtree. 3rd Row: E. Whittington, T. Kowalski, R. McGuire, J. Murch, C. Haluch, W. Love, H. Mesten, N. Hindenach, C. Drije, A. Minarik, D. Drake. 2nd Row: C. Longcore, H. Price, D. Baker, E. Bylina, F. Weatherbee, P. Evans, B. Englesby, G. Bradley, J. Gustaff, A. Ellis, W. Hall. 1st Row: C. Hinckley, C. Jacobs, D. Ketchum D. Staggs, A. Danger, R. Burns, W. Hall, E. Doty, C. Smith, E. Miller, D. Stoughton.

This year the Freshman class has an enrollment of sixty-four. The President and Secretary of the Student Council are from the ninth grade, and four of the members of that organization are from this class. A class party held in October was well attended. The star for the bulletin boards was won by the ninth grade. The class members have enjoyed Junior High life very much, and have been ably assisted by their class advisor, Miss Hansen.

President, Charles Smith
Vice-President, Jim Firestone

Secretary, Marolyn Ewing
Treasurer, Harold Price



GRADES 8 AND 7

4th. D. White, W. Johnson, D. Arnold, L. Wojciechowski, A. Overacker, G. Panozzo, P. Douglas, N. Dudash, S. Hoger, C. Stearns, K. Young, R. Rider. 3rd. J. Potter, L. Thomas L. Sechman, P. Lee, L. Ten Houten, M. Evans, B. Lmapheer, B. Hoger, J. Schalhorn, H. Shank, S. McDaniel, L. Butler. 2nd. M. Grabbe, B. Copen, E. Stinebeck, B.Sousley, T. Chmielewski, A. Whisler, M. Rider, M. Douglas, D. Kruse, D. Spayde, R. Chamberlin, J. La Pine. 1st. P. Holm,M.Willsea, T. Lawson, A. Sirrine, D. Mc Guire, V. Ritter, G. Compton R. Sines, M. Davis, C. Cross, R. Coulson, D. Jennings.

7th grade
Murray absent

3rd.F. Willsea, J. Oswalt, L. Middleton, P. Root, A. Butler, G. Henderson, D. Dorstewitz, B. Tellam, R. Stratton, E. Cutler, G. Frye, R. Zekan. 2nd. J. De Hoen, M. Ladyman, B. Mc Meekan, A Cutler, J. Jenks, A. Elliott. W. Grehl, M. Klimach, R. Nikolen, C. Cusumano, G. Goldberg, H. Noggles. 1st. L. Carrington, A. Mumbrue, J. Meyers, N. Brown, M. Mc Coy, J. Mc Kee, B. Breed, R. Arends, W. Baxter, J. Farrow, R. Sines B. Longcore.

Phyllis

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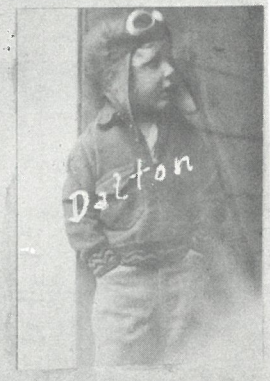
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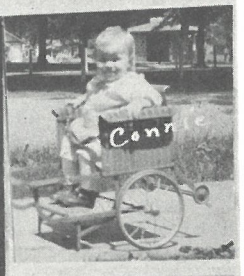
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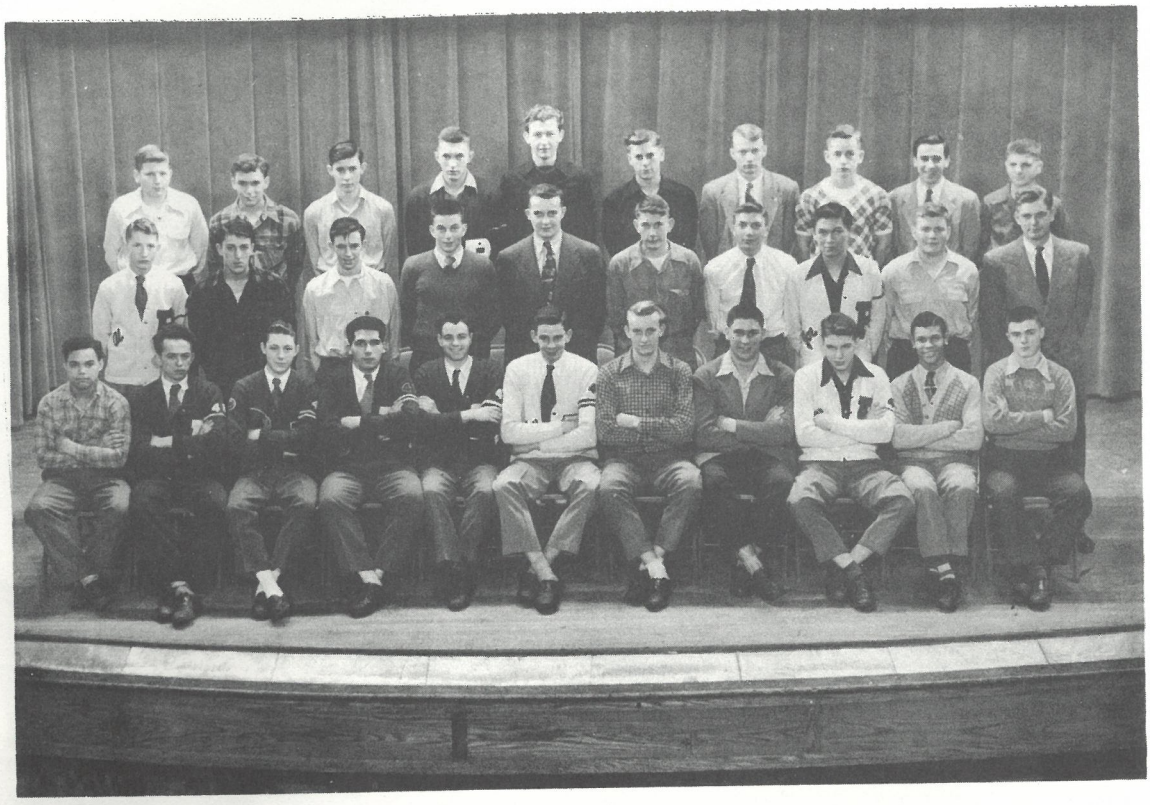

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The Paw Paw High School football team was unbeaten in seven starts this season. Its record was marred by two ties, but never the less, was impressive.

The Redskins started the schedule with a 0-0 tie with a powerful South-Haven aggression. They then went on a rampage to take victories from Watervleit, Constantine, and Otsego. By scoring a 6-6 tie, Bangor became a co-holder with Paw Paw of the Van Buren County championship. The Paw Paw fellows then battled their way to two more victories--these over Hartford and Mattawan.

Bob Duhan was elected honorary captain at the close of the season.

PIGSKIN PROLOGUE

When September with its cool winds blow,
The Redskins they made ready for to go.
From Paw Paw to South Haven went,
The mighty romping Rams for to seek
That them they have hoped that they could beat.
When the gear was stored aboard the bus,
They took their seats with quite a fuss.
In fellowship and buddies too they were,
That on to South Haven they meant to ride
The bus was not large and the seats were not wide.
Full ten and one were on this team,
And all those boys were on the beam.
And shortly ere the sun his head had laid
Wilbur and his boys were rolling for the Indian raid.
They sang vile songs along the road
And cussing profoundly from them flowed
But ere that I farther of this story go
Let me tell you of the men you ought to know.
Huge in stature, swift in speed,
Hard in blocking, brave in deed,
Bone crushing in tackling, fleet on the run,
Here are the warriors one by one:

THE RIGHT END

I will start with the End
Although it smarts,
To tell of the end
Ere the prologue starts.
An End he was named Whittington
He broke up plays before they'd begun.
Speedy and shifty with a fast moving pace,
He was known to all as our pass catching ace.
To battle the Rams, on this he was bent,
A touchdown or two was his intent.
The best laid plans oft go astray
But Whitty had big plans for the big game that day.
With "fire" in his eyes,
And "stone" in his heart,
He decided to take South Haven apart.
Now he was a man of the finest degree
His chest when expanded was a full fifty-three.

THE RIGHT TACKLE

A Tackle there was, a monster in size,
But though he is brawny he's not terribly wise.
But he knows enough not to write of himself
So we'll put the Right Tackle back on the shelf.

THE RIGHT GUARD

Our next man is Chuck.
He runs like a duck.
But when there's a hole that needs to be filled
You'll find that the ball carrier nearly gets killed.
Six feet four, two hundred and nine,
And he's one of the boys that anchor the line.
Many a time we've heard the coach say,
"The boy who hits Charlie has played his last day."
If you didn't know Charlie you'd think him a mendel
But really his motto is "Tough but so gentle."
Now he comes from the country where they really grow men, and he
was up doing chores when the long days began.
He worked at a timber camp many a day.
He'd just pull them up and take them away.
A tree in his arms as if it were a toy,
Paul Bunyan of Paw Paw they call this big boy.

THE CENTER

Big Moe is the boy that fills this spot,
Many an intercepted pass has he caught.
He backs up that line, he plays like a pro.
He boots on the kick-off and boy, does it go.
And many a fullback has seen parts of heaven,
When hit by Big Moe when we shift to a seven.
He's a sky-scraping giant way up in the ozone
And many a T. D. has he saved from the end-zone.
When they lie on the field piled up four deep,
You know that Big Moe has put them to sleep.
In using his elbows Big Lank is well versed,
And many a victim's gone out feet first.
And oh what joy I get when I see
A boy from Bangor get hit with his knee.

THE LEFT GUARD

Now here is a boy who's got a head.
I don't mean he's smart, but that it's made of lead.
Eating nails for breakfast,
Cement when out to dine,
He's a granite block,
In the Paw Paw line.
Big Moe Goens is his name,
And trampling linemen is his game.
Now I've been told Moe's not too smart,
But that he can tear any line apart.
Now if there weren't a rule in the book that said,
That you must wear a helmet on your head,
We could use Moe's dome for a battering ram,
And make South Haven as meek as a lamb.
But Ol' Moe Goens needs that rock,
When he goes out to tackle or block.
When he's in a huddle
He's all in a muddle
He can't remember the number or play
So he just goes out and plays his own way.

LEFT TACKLE

A Goliath in brawn,
An Einstein in brain,
He's built like a tank,
And hits like a train.
He's a veteran player who oozes with rage,
And in between games he's kept in a cage.
Perhaps you are wondering who hits with a bang,
In case you are wondering his name is Al Lang.
In practice the subs come off-tackle just once.
But then they won't try it again for just months.
So listen my children and you shall hear
Of the game-time exploits of the boy without fear.
In seven mortal battles did he survive,
And hardly an opponent is now alive.
He isn't a Jekyll, he's more of a Hyde,
If they want to go places they'd better run wide.
You would think that the person,
In the description I'm giving,
Is dropping trees, or breaking rocks for a living,
But this boy with the physique
Is a master of Greek.
In the High School there's a big debate on
Who is the smarter Alfred or Vaughn.
Perhaps in the future if you go to a game
You'll see Alfred Lang playing for Notre-Dame.

THE LEFT END

"Now who is that boy?" I heard a man say,
"Who has been kicking conversions all day?"
Now he is a flash and man can he go!
He's Paw Paw's boy with the talented toe.
His first name is Victor, and if you see
Him play you'll wonder why,
They didn't end that name with a "y".
His last name is Tate,
If you haven't guessed.
As far as Ends go
Vic is the best.
When it's fourth and sixty
And we're in a fix,
Ike calls on Victor
To run "number six".
He never fails to gain what's needed,
And very often he scores unheeded.
And when we score
And need one point more,
Ike calls on Vic
For that extra kick.
And just relax, as facts are facts,
And when ere we trail, he'll never fail,
To kick that point, or score a goal.
He's always in it when ere we roll.

THE RIGHT HALF

Now here's a boy who is really all right.
He's a blocking back with plenty of fight.
He's a powerful monster with plenty of zip,
He can crack any line ten yards at a clip.
Al's a pretty big hog about six feet two,
And he uses his size to crash his way through.
When we need a passer,
And Ike's on the side,
Al is the boy
Who gives that pigskin a ride.
And he's caught quite a few
That have been tossed
And many a goal line has he crossed.
He can kick conversions
When a score's been made.
He's always first on the Point Parade.

THE LEFT HALF

Now on this bus,
There rode with us, an Irishman named Dirty Pete.
Mighty shifty and fast on his feet..
When ever we play on a windy day,
Pete's anchored with lead so he won't blow away.
Maybe he's lean and maybe he's small
But "The bigger they are, the harder they fall."
Now this is the motto of our little giant Dick,
"Keep away from big linemen and run that ball quick."
You'd think a kid so little and small
Wouldn't be able to block at all,
But many a lineman's been tossed on his back,
When interference goes out with Pete in the pack.

THE FULLBACK

Now we've come to the man who's the joy of our squads,
When he steps on the field the whole stadium applauds.
Now Blanchard is good,

And Davis is fair,
But none have been made
That to Bob can compare.
He can run from a single,
He can run from a "T"
But the effects are the same,
It's a six point T. D.
Many the lineman has fallen down dead
When Big Bob Duhan lowers his head,
And hits that line with a sickening thud,
And nothing is left but enemy blood.
Now this may sound gory,
But then it's all in the story.
And it isn't our fault if Bobby has drive
And what do we care if he kills four or five.
It's all in the game and we like it fine,
But I'm glad I don't play on the opposite line.

THE QUARTERBACK

The Coach is a fellow with plenty of brains
So Ike Sprague is the boy that he put at the reins.
No! he isn't big with a lineman's frame,
But he plays sixty minutes of every game.
He can pass that pigskin like it was shot from a gun,
He can boot that ball and can also run.
Ike calls out our signals, either Ts, or singles,
Plunges, or fakes, or fast opening breaks.
What ever it is you can bet that Mort knows.
He's head of the team till that last whistle blows,
He's as cool as an ice cube,
As calm as a clam.
When things get exciting,
Mort just won't give a "darn."
But you know that he's in it,
Every long minute,
Cus, one time he'll run it,
The next time he'll kick,
Or maybe he'll pass it to Vic, Dale, or Dick.
Now in class he's called sleepy, his minds always vague,
But if you want to talk football just look up Ike Sprague.
Now I know that you're dying to hear more of Mort
And I'll tell you more if you just hold the Fort.
First I'd like to tell you if you'd permit this scribe,
To tell of the Chief of the Indian tribe.

THE COACH

In the rule book,
If you'll take a look,
It says only eleven men on the field
And on this point too the experts will yield.
But when other teams have eleven players in the game,
We have twelve men just the same.
And this is why I thought it fit,
To tell you of our coach a bit.
Now here is the boy who taught us to play,
And many's the time he's gone out of his way,
To help the fellows learn their stuff.
And through calisthenics he's made us tough.
And there isn't a fellow
On the squad
Who would trade Wilbur
For Crisler or Todd.

BASKETBALL

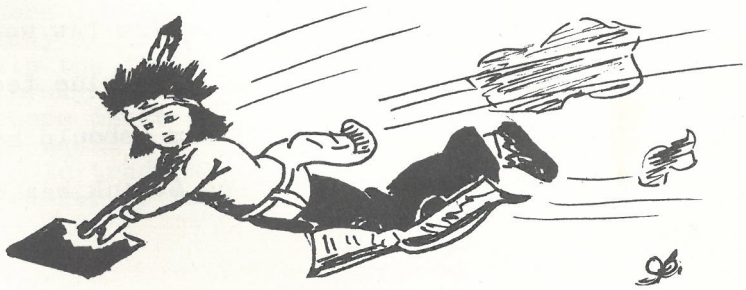
Standing: R. Donovan, A. Horn, J. Quigno, R. Duhan, R. Oas, W. Kaiser, B. Love, Coach Schenk. Seated: V. Tate, D. Whittington, C. Carrington, A. Cutting, D. Sprague.

Tall, speedy, and experienced is the best description of Paw Paw's 1946-1947 basketball team. The high-scoring Redskins won fifteen out of sixteen games during the regular schedule. The season's total record was nineteen wins and two losses. Scores of over forty points were run up in seventeen games. Coach Schenk's starters were: "Lanky" Carl Carrington (high scorer of the season) at center; Victor Tate and Dale Whittington, guards; Al Cutting in one forward position; and Don Sprague and Dick Donovan, who shared possession of the other forward spot. The red-hot Redskins were district champs this year, winning over Wayland, Plainwell, and Otsego to gain the title. Paw Paw was favored to take the regional, but was upset by a competent St. Augustine team, after beating Edwardsburg the preceding night. Next year's team should have no trouble in keeping pace with this year's aggression, as Coach Schenk has several promising players in the reserves.

BASEBALL

2nd Row: Whittington, Love, Quigno, Danger, Donovan, Rumsey, Lang, Cutting, Horn, Coach Schenk. 1st Row: Sprague, Connally, Ewing, Aernie, B. Andrews, Gault, H. Price.

The baseball squad of 1947 looks strong, having lost but three players by graduation last year. Paw Paw is a member of the Allegan - Ottawa league, and will be up against some strong teams. Allegan and Zeeland promise to be strong opponents. The schedule this year consists of thirteen games, so the Redskins will have plenty to do during the spring months. The team will be coached by Coach Wilbur Schenk. All the players hope to give him a good showing, and to make this a good season of baseball.



TRACK

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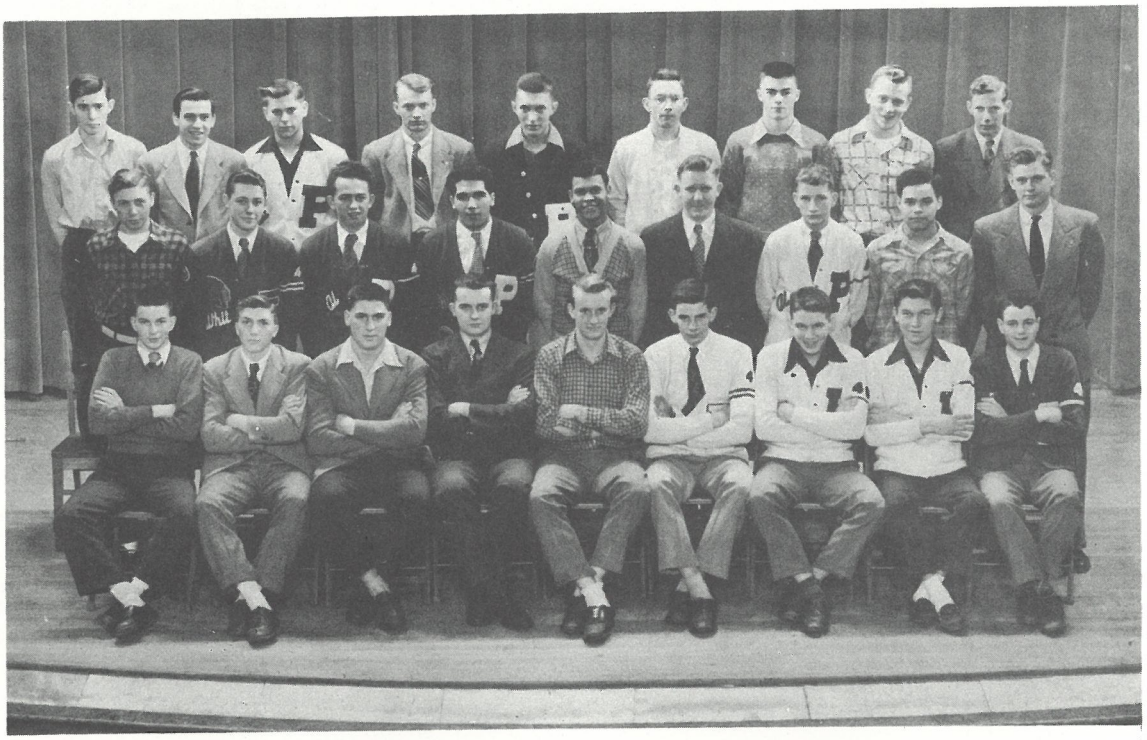
This year's track team, composed of veterans of last year's championship team and some underclassmen who show great promise, faces a very good season. Paw Paw is noted throughout the state for consistently having good teams. The 1947 schedule includes both Class B and Class C competition.

1947 Schedule

May 5	Otsego at Paw Paw
May 7 and 8	Southwestern Tri-County Zeeland, Allegan, Otsego, and Paw Paw at Allegan
May 17	Regional meet at Kalamazoo
May 18	State meet at Lansing

LETTER CLUB AND CHEER LEADERS



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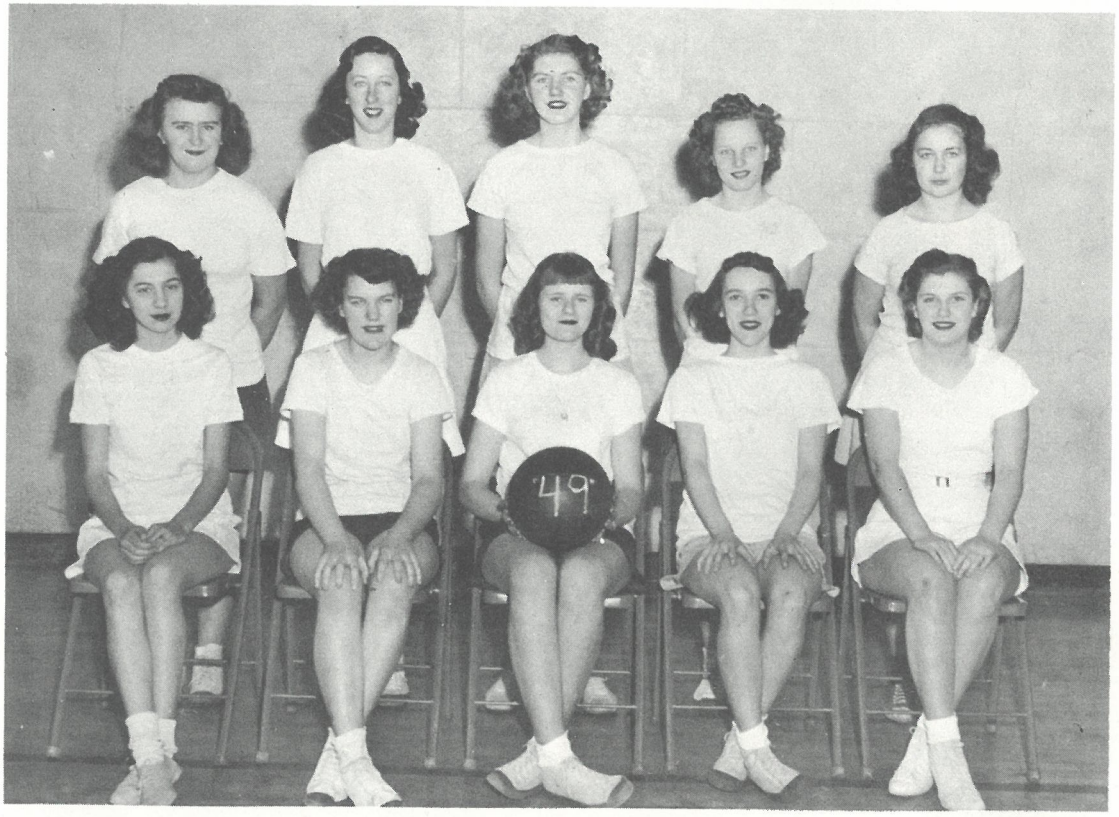
Left to right. D. Carlson, V. Rucinski, R. Lesak, F. Kobe.

GIRLS' SPORTS

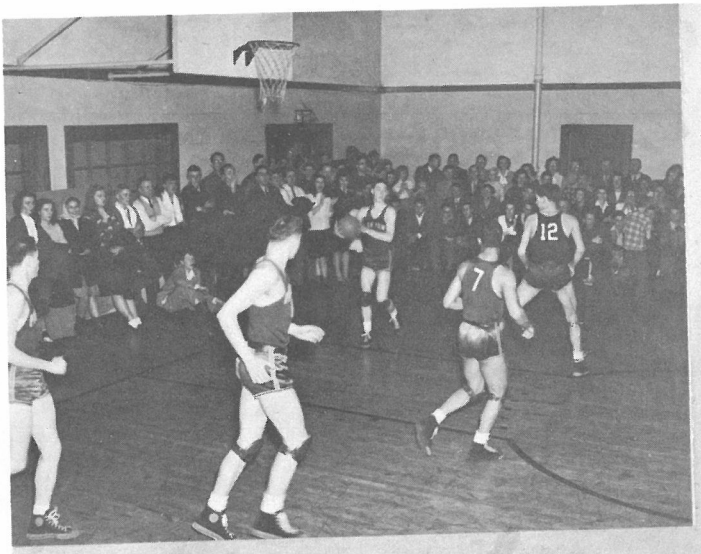
VOLLEYBALL

Standing: E. Traxler, T. Whisler, G. Schnoor, L. Kubian, I. Budzen.
Seated: S. Coy, J. German, C. Holm, L. Greenwald.



BASKETBALL

Standing: E. Schallhorn, M. Flynn, F. Ritsema, A. Kozoil, E. Johnson.
Seated: D. Whisler, M. Merrill, I. Sitar, J. Kaiser, V. Tyler.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HIGH SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Standing: G. French, R. Donovan, J. Stull, J. Quigno, C. Carrington, A. Lang, E. Meconi, J. Replogle, Mr. Hackney. Seated: M. Ladyman, S. Adamson, R. Duhan. R. Jenks, B. Marcelletti, C. Holm.

For the fourth year, the Senior High School Committee has taken an active part in student government. The committee is composed of three members from each class, the class presidents, and two members from the Girl's Club.

The duty of the committee is to keep Senior High running smoothly by discussing problems and taking action if necessary. Topics for discussion may be suggested by the discussion groups of each class.

This year the High School Committee sponsored a Senior High School Christmas Party, which was put on with the help of the whole student body. They also were in charge of the Senior High School picnic put on at the end of the school year.

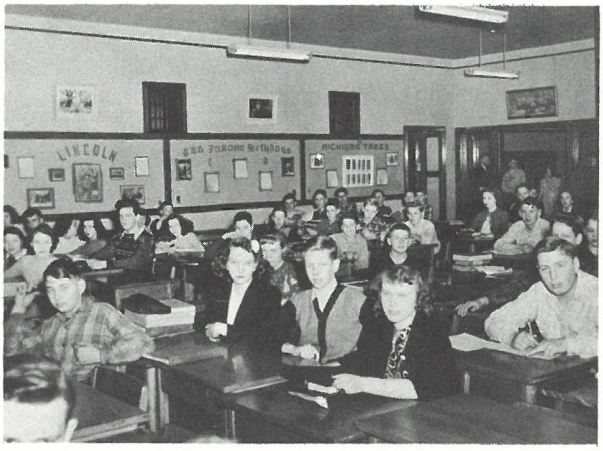
Chairman, Robert Duhan
Vice-Chairman, Robert Jenks
Secretary-Treasurer, Shirley Adamson

STUDENT COUNCIL

Standing. R. Root, Mr. Emmert, W. Carrington, Mr. Oas, J. Meyer, C. Stearns. Seated. E. Whittington, C. Brill, M. Grabbe, W. Johnson.

The Student Council, a body of nine, is made up of three officers, three class presidents, and representatives of the seventh, eighth, and ninth grades. The purpose of the Council, which meets with Mr. Oas and Mr. Emmert, is to encourage cooperative student government in the Junior High School. This year it has sponsored an all Junior High School party.

President. Charles Brill Vice-President. Marilyn Grabbe
Secretary-Treasurer, Ethel Whittington



THESPIAN TROUPE

3rd Row: H. Hagen, B. Love, W. Richmond, G. Dimas, E. Meconi, D. Whittington, W. Brown, R. Carlson, B. Sackett. 2nd Row: Miss Freer, W. Blaesing, B. Hindenach, D. Rumsey, A. Lang, R. Jenks, L. Kubian, J. Haldeman, B. Firestone, E. Rice. 1st Row: E. Traxler, G. Schnoor, J. Lewis, G. French, D. Carlson, G. Benwire, T. Whisler, C. Holm, P. Bradley.

Troupe Number 447 of the National Thespian Dramatic Honor Society for High Schools is now in its second year as a standing organization in the Paw Paw High School. Membership for this group is based on a point system. Each person, before he can become a member, must earn ten points through helping in the production of a play or by being in the play cast.

The Aims of this organization are to create a spirit of active and intelligent interest in dramatics among the boys and girls in the secondary schools all over the United States.

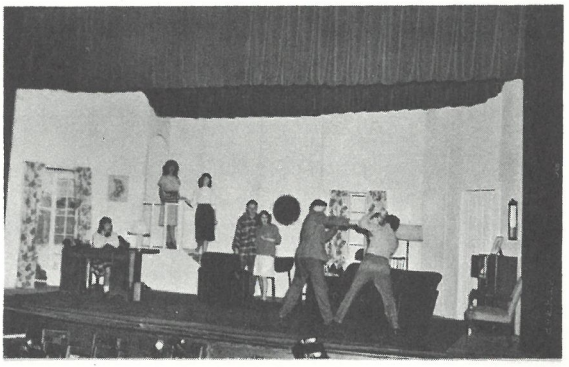
The initiation ceremony this year found fourteen students who had earned enough points to become members of the group. After the initiation the whole group attended a banquet which was prepared by the old members. Entertainment for the evening was a theatre party at the local movie house.

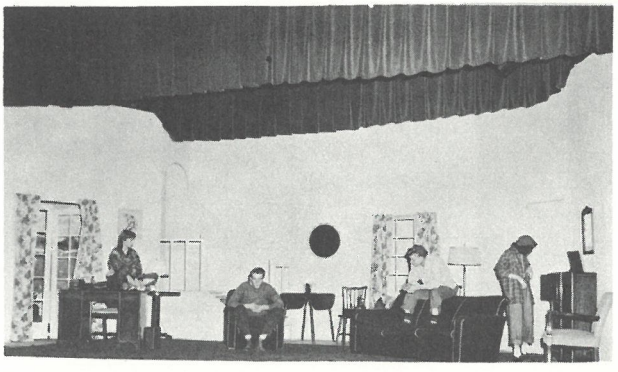
President, Dalton Rumsey
Vice-President, Bernard Sackett

Secretary -- Treasurer, Hilda Hagen
Clerk, Geraldine French

SENIOR CLASS PLAY

Standing: C. Holm, J. Haldeman, D. Rumsey, D. Whittington, L. Kubian, Miss Freer, R. Jenks, A. Lang, E. Meconi, C. Andrews, W. Brown, R. Carlson, W. Richmond. Seated: D. Carlson, J. Lewis, W. Blaesing, E. Rice, I. Budzen, B. Love, H. Hagen, M. Minarik, G. Dimas, G. Benwire, G. Schnoor, B. Hindenach B. Firestone.





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R. G. Oas-Advisor

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Frank Kalanj
Ronald McCarty
Donald McGuire
Dalton Rumsey
Ralph Snyder
Ray Swanson

GREEN HANDS

Jack Brady
Stanley Brookman
Norman Conolly
Milon Root
Albert Williams

CHOIR

5th Row. S. Coy, G. French, V. Rucinski, S. Taylor, R. Oas, D. Keune, C. Andrews, D. Rumsey, D. Sprague, L. Krueger, J. Lewis, W. Blaesing, G. Schnoor. 4th Row. J. Sackett, L. Scamihorn, B. Hindenach, B. Marcelletti, E. Meconi D. Whittington, A. Horn, J. Stull, J. Replogle, S. Adamson, E. Schallhorn, J. Sufferling, B. Staggs, 3rd Row. E. Traxler, F. Sitar, N. Murch, B. Sackett, F. Kogge, T. Taylor, W. Brown, E. Coulson, F. Kobe, B. Grehl, L. Kubian, M. Griesmaier, K. Allen, 2nd Row. V. Tyler, D. Young, B. Love, H. Drake, P. Pursley, J. Doty, R. Campbell, N. Lallinger, M. Dodge, E. Rice, A. Love. 1st Row. M. Pursley, D. Arnold, M. Dudash, I. Chmielewski, P. Zuris, C. Holm, V. Brookman, F. Masten, H. Hagen.
Not in picture. R. Brill, E. Mitchell, J. Kubian

The Paw Paw High School Choir, under the direction of Miss Edith Carlson, consists of sixty-three members, chosen this year from the tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grades only. The officers elected this fall were: Dalton Rumsey, President; Geraldine French, Vice-President; Wilma Blaesing, Secretary-Treasurer; and Jim Replogle, Bill Brown, Dorothy Young, and Mavis Dodge, Librarians. The choir's first appearance this year was at the Thanksgiving service, and it participated in the school's annual Christmas programs. Later performances were scheduled for spring--one of which was an exchange program with Decatur. A concert was given for the P. T. A. in March. On May 3, the choir participated in the Southwestern Michigan Music Festival at Kalamazoo. A concert was given for the public on May 16. The choir has been an active organization this year, and hopes to continue as such next year.

TREBLE SINGERS

Standing: Miss Carlson, J. Sufferling, F. Kobe, E. Schallhorn, S. Coy, B. Staggs, V. Rucinski, G. Schnoor, N. Lallinger, V. Tyler, B. Grehl, E. Traxler. Seated: Miss Meadows

The Treble Singers consist of twelve Senior High School girls, under the direction of Miss Edith Carlson.

This group has taken an active part in musical activities during the past year. Among the programs in which they participated were Christmas, Coterie, school assemblies, and the P. T. A.

The Treble Singers have given exchange programs with other schools. In the spring they presented a group of numbers at the spring concert, and participated in the Southwestern Michigan Music Festival.

BAND

4th Row: L. Greenwald, G. French, M. Flynn, D. Carlson, M. Dodge, I. Sitar, H. Hagen, D. Arnold, K. Allen. 3rd Row: V. Tate, D. Richardson, D. Jennings, J. Schallhorn, C. Cross, B. Sackett, B. Hoger, T. Taylor, S. Brookman, J. Stull, D. Sprague. 2nd Row: J. Murch, S. Hoger, A. Whisler, J. McDaniel, D. Arnold, F. Sitar, R. Coulson, S. Adamson, C. Andrews, R. Cassada, H. Masten. 1st Row: B. Wolf, A. Abrams, M. McKee, S. McDaniel, H. Wright, P. Zuris, N. Murch.

The Paw Paw High School Band under the able direction of Mr. Bernard Kuschel has had a very successful year. During the football season the band played for all the home games, and at the game in Watervliet.

Marching contests at Western Michigan College and at Benton Harbor Stadium were high-lights of the year. The annual spring concert, with the orchestra, was given on March 5.

During the year Dona Carlson, Geraldine French, and Lillian Greenwald received first division ratings in a baton twirling contest at Three Oaks. Marian Flynn received a second rating.

The band attended the Southwestern Michigan Band Contest at Kalamazoo in March, and the Holland Tulip Festival in May.

President, Donald Sprague
Secretary-Treasurer, Shirley Adamson

Vice-President, Nancy Murch
Librarian, Barbara Wolf

ORCHESTRA

Standing. M. Spies. 2nd Row. A. Love, C. Brill, N. Murch, M. McKee, C. Andrews, B. Wolf, R. Coulson, T. Taylor, J. Stull, D. Sprague, N. Stratton, L. Carrington. 1st Row. S. Coy, M. Dodge, G. French, W. Thomas, W. Love, C. Drije, M. Ewing, J. Potter.

The High School Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. George Arnott, consists of twenty Junior and Senior High School students. This organization has participated in many school functions, such as class plays and special assemblies. With the band it also presented a concert on March 5.

From the Orchestra personnel, a string ensemble was formed, which has been much in demand for community affairs.

President. Geraldine French
Vice-President. Nancy Murch
Secretary-Treasurer. Audrey Love
Librarian. Carla Drije

OCTETTE AND QUARTET

J. Replogle, T. Taylor, R. Brill, R. Campbell, B. Love, D. Rumsey, J. Kubian, B. Sackett.

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STRING ENSEMBLE AND DRAMATIC CLUB

S. Coy, M. Dodge, A. Love, N. Murch, J. Potter, C. Driji, G. French

Standing: Miss Preameau, J. Tellam, R. Thomas, R. Carlson, W. Richmond, C. Van Stelle, C. Carrington, M. Dann, G. Dimas, A. Soule, G. Coleman, B. Wolf, Miss Freer. Seated: M. Ladyman, H. Masten, M. Minarik, J. Mucha, J. Haldeman, J. Weber, P. Massarello, P. Gosenca, B. Firestone, L. Greenwald.

JUNIOR HIGH CHOIR

5th Row: W. Carrington, P. Root, E. Doty, B. Breed, C. Henderson, M. Davis, C. Longcore, R. Coulson, G. Compton, W. Thomas, C. Brill, N. Dudash, D. Staggs, A. Danger, B. Sarola, R. Cassida, R. Chamberlain, C. Cussamano, R. Burns, M. Willsea. 4th Row: W. Love, K. Misuraca, B. McMeekan, S. Hoger, J. Kobe, P. Evans, M. Coy, E. Whittington, H. Masten, L. Pendowski, W. Grehl, B. Lanphear, A. Agate, V. Abrams, S. Buckley, L. Carrington, N. Hindenach. 3rd Row: B. Heger, J. Schallhorn, J. Meyers, M. Ladyman, J. Gustaff, T. Czuhajewski, S. McDaniel, A. Mumbrue, C. Stearns, B. Kapka, F. Boyne, A. Cutler, B. Frye, D. Goldberg. 2nd Row: E. Bartolotti, A. Minarik, C. Driji, B. Copen, G. Harris, B. Tellam, E. Steinbeck, B. Arends, D. Dorstewitz, J. Rix, L. Thomas, J. Potter, J. DeHaan, R. Stratton. 1st Row: L. Roberts, F. Willsea, A. Elliot, M. Swindell, D. Arnold, D. Stoughton, P. Lee, M. Ewing, K. Young, J. Jenks.

The Junior High Choir is a new organization this year. Its activities consisted of several school programs in Paw Paw, and programs for the surrounding country schools. The choir numbers ninety-three members. It has been very ably directed by Mr. George Arnott. Mrs. Ruth Dodge has been accompanist.

President, Carla Drije
Vice-President, Murray Swindell
Secretary, Nancy Hindenach
Treasurer, Shirley Hoger
Librarians, Ethel Whittington
Gene White

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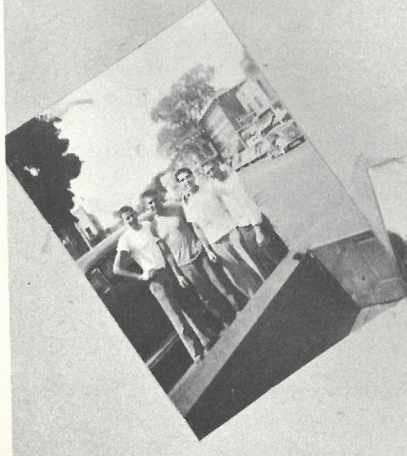


WORLD FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Standing: T. Whisler, Miss Nyland, P. Bradley. Seated: M. Minarik, G. Eddington, B. Firestone, A. McNabb. Not in picture: L. Greenwald, J. German, P. Massarello, J. Tellam, W. Ertle.

Early in the school year a small group of students interested in foreign correspondence and in promoting better world understanding was organized by Miss Nyland into the World Friendship Club.

Among its activities for the first semester, this group of students successfully sponsored a drive for the Red Cross for materials used by the disabled veterans in the occupational therapy work at Percy Jones Hospital.

In January, the World Friendship Club conducted a campaign for used clothing to be used in European relief work by the American Friends Service Committee.

Preceding this drive, Miss Carlene Bagnall, at the invitation of the club, addressed the high school student body on the part teen-agers may play in world peace.

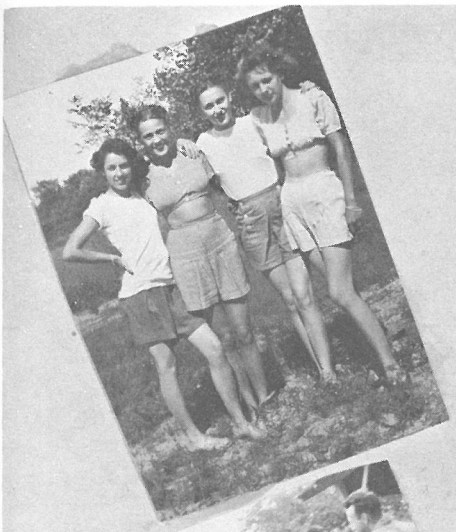
Betty Mae Firestone and George Eddington were sent as delegates to a meeting of the Camp and Hospital Council of the Red Cross in Battle Creek. For regular weekly meetings, the club invited members of the faculty, student-teachers, and students to give informal travel talks.

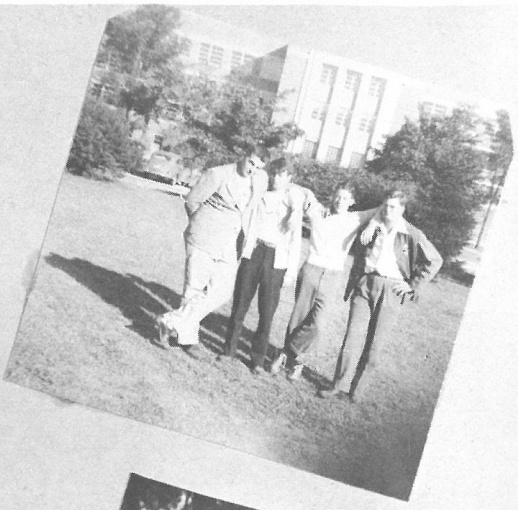
President, Betty Firestone Vice-President, Phyllis Bradley
Secretary-Treasurer, George Eddington

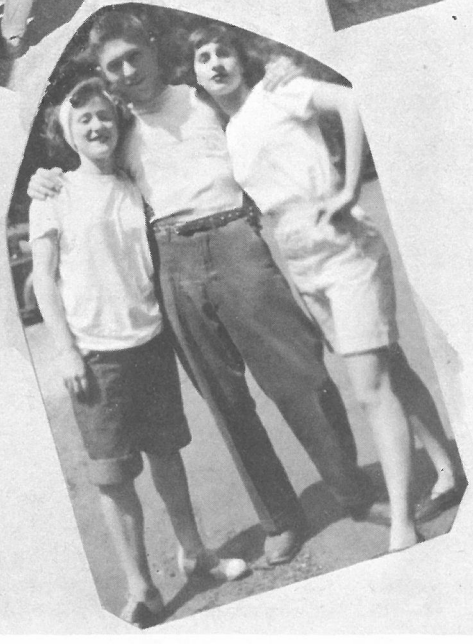
RADIO AND CAMERA CLUB

Standing: W. Ertle, P. Price, J. Bukovac, C. Andrews, R. Jenks, A. Lang, Mr. Vaughn. Seated: S. Brookman, J. Murch, G. Coleman, R. Copping

2nd. Row Standing: R. McCarty, M. Dann, C. Mannon, W. McCarty, F. Kogge,
1st. Row Standing: S. Brookman, J. McDaniel, N. Conolly, E. Miller, Mr. Maryin, Seated: A. McNabb.







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